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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 12980

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, XF
SUBJECT: SENATE VOTE ON MIDDLE EAST ARMS SALE

REF: (A) STATE 123877, (B) STATE 123875

1. CALLED ON FONMIN KAMEL THIS MORNING FORMALLY TO INFORM HIM OF SENATE VOTE ON ME ARMS SALE. IN DOING SO, I GAVE HIM A COPY OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT. ALSO THANKED KAMEL FOR GOE'S EFFORTS OVER THE PAST WEEKEND TO ENABLE US MAKE USE OF PRESIDENT SADAT'S CHICAGO TRIBUNE INTERVIEW. EMPHASIZED THAT WITH SENATE VOTE BEHIND US, WE COULD ALL CONCENTRATE ONCE AGAIN ON MOVING ME PEACE EFFORT.

2. KAMEL HAD HEARD THE NEWS OF THE SENATE VOTE AND WAS VISIBLY PLEASED. HE ASKED THAT GOE'S APPRECIATION BE CONVEYED TO PRESIDENT CARTER, SECRETARY VANCE AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATION WHO HAVE WORKED SO HARD TO ASSURE THE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF SENATE DELIBERATIONS. HE VIEWED SENATE VOTE AS VINDICATING GOE'S BELIEF IN USG DESIRE BE EVEN-HANDED AND COMMENTED THAT IT WOULD STRENGTHEN PRESIDENT CARTER'S HAND IN PUSHING ME PEACE PROCESS.

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3. PRESS WAS ON HAND TO TELEVISE AND REPORT MY MEETING WITH KAMEL. IN ANSWER PRESS QUERIES, KAMEL MADE SIMILAR STATEMENTS TO THOSE CITED ABOVE.

4. KAMEL ALSO TOLD ME THAT PRESIDENT SADAT PLANS TO ISSUE A STATEMENT LATER TODAY ON THE SENATE VOTE. EILTS

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